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HONGKONG, MONDAY, MAY 22, 1882.

午年四月六日

PRICE, \$24 PER ANNUM.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E. C. GROUBE STREET & CO., 30, Cornhill, GORDON & GOTCH, Adelgate Circus, E.C. BATES HENDY & CO., 37, Walbrook, E.C. SAMUEL DRAGON & CO., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street.

PARIS AND EUROPE.—GALLIEN & PRINCE, 36, Rue Lafayette, Paris.

NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 133, Nassau Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTCH, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally.—BROWN & BLACK, San Francisco.

SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c.—SAVAGE & CO., Singapore. C. HEINZEN & CO., Manila.

CHINA.—Macao, Messrs A. A. de MELLO & CO., Saldanha, CAMPBELL & CO., Amoy, WILSON, NICHOLLS & CO., Foochow, TAKAO, and Taiwanfoo, has CHASED from the 30th April, 1882.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

WE have been appointed Agents for the MITSU BUSSAN KAISHA, of Tokio, at THIS PORT.

GEO. R. STEVENS & CO.
Hongkong, February 1, 1882.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of MR. CHARLES KAHN in our Firm CEASED on the 30th April, 1882.

REISS & CO.
Hongkong, 1st May, 1882.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of the Undersigned in the Firm of Messrs D. O. OLIA & CO., Amoy, Foochow, Takao, and Taiwanfoo, has CHASED from the 30th April, 1882.

E. N. MEHTA,
E. S. MEHTA.

WE have this day commenced BUSINESS as MERCHANTS and COMMISSION AGENTS at Amoy, Foochow and Taiwanfoo, under the Style and Firm of "MEHTA & CO."

E. N. MEHTA,
B. S. MEHTA.

Hongkong, May 1, 1882.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of MR. FRANCIS BLACKWELL FORBES in our Firm, CEASED on the 31st December, 1881.

RUSSELL & CO.
Hongkong and
China, 20th April, 1882.

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Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 3rd of June, 1882, at 2 p.m., at the PREMISES of the former Pier & Godown Company, Limited, Wan Chai, Praya.

(Unless previously disposed of by Private Sale.)

THE H. N. T. of the former HUNTER & GODOWN COMPANY, Limited, consisting of:—

50 Open GOODS TRUCKS;

2 TURN-TABLES, 12' feet diameter, adapted for 3' 6" gauge;

11-ton WEIGH BRIDGE WHEEL SPAN, of 10 feet and 3' 6" gauge;

3 TRAVELLING 2 Tons STEAM CRANES.

About 3,000 Feet of RAILS.

All the above is on the WAN CHAI Pier, or in the Godowns of Messrs MEYER & CO.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.

For Particulars, apply to

F. RAPP,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, May 20, 1882.

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For Sale.

FOR SALE.

MESSRS W. & J. LOCKETT'S Celebrated BRANDS, THREEFALL'S Export PALE ALE, and FINDERER'S DUBLIN STOUT in Pints and Quarts. Fine OLD PORT, in Cases of 1 dozen.

Also,

SILLERY MOUSSEAU (VIN DE CHAMPAGNE), in Cases 2 dozen Pints and 1 dozen Quarts.

FOR SALE.

GEO. R. STEVENS & CO.
Hongkong, February 1, 1882.

FOR SALE.

JULES MUMM & CO.'S CHAMPAGNE, Quarts.....\$17 per 1 doz. Cases.

Pints.....\$18 per 2 doz.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.
Hongkong, November 1, 1881.

WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)

WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, can now be had at this Office.—Price, \$1 each.

CHINA MAIL Office.

To Let.

(WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.)

THE HOUSE known as "PARSE VILLA," ROBINSON ROAD.

For Particulars, apply to

G. R. LAMMERT,
Pedder's Wharf.

Hongkong, May 1, 1882.

TO LET.

(POSSESSION ON 1ST JUNE NEXT.)

THE FIRST FLOOR, West Side, of "MAINE HOUSE," No. 15, QUEEN'S ROAD, now in the occupation of Messrs WILSON & BIRK.

Apply to E. R. BELLIOS.

Hongkong, May 16, 1882.

TO LET.

(WITH POSSESSION ON THE 1ST MAY.)

THE NEW FAMILY RESIDENCE situated next to EXCELSIOR on Robinson Road, replete with every convenience, TENNIS LAWN, STABBING, &c.

Also,

8 FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS of all Sizes Water-side. Inspection is invited.

Apply to SHARP, TOLLER & JOHNSON.

Hongkong, April 3, 1882.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has Admitted Mr. M. L. SALAMON into PARTNERSHIP from this date, and the Business in future will be Conducted under the Style of "HOLMES & SALAMON."

(Signed) GEORGE HOLMES.

Queen's Road Central, 1st May, 1882.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the Sale of their GOODS by Messrs KYNOCH & CO., of WITTON, near BIRMINGHAM.

MEYER & CO.

Hongkong, August 13, 1882.

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For Sale.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

CLARETS—From a SOUND WINE at \$3.50, to CHATEAU LAFITE.

SHERRIES—A PALE DRY WINE at \$8, to Very CHOICE AMONTILLADO.

PORTS—GOOD WINE at \$8.50, to Old INVALID PORT.

HOCKS—STILL and SPARKLING.

BURGUNDIES—BAUNE and CHAMBERTIN.

CHABLIS—SAUTERNE.

CHAMPAGNES—MOSSELLE.

Hongkong, May 1, 1882.

WILLIAM DOLAN,
SAIL-MAKER & SHIP-CHANDLER,
22, PRAYA CENTRAL.

COTTON DUCKS, HEMP CANVAS,
MANILA ROPE, AMERICAN OAKUM, LIFE BUOYS,

CORK JACKETS,
&c., &c., &c.

Hongkong, May 1, 1882.

FOR SALE.

195 Fathoms SECOND-HAND TWO-INCH CABLE, suitable for Moorings.

In Lots to suit.

Apply to WILLIAM DOLAN,
22, Praya Central.

Hongkong, May 1, 1882.

FOR SALE.

A. RAUTER T MAINZ

A. DELICIOUS TABLE BEER.

4 doz. 1/2 Cases CHAMPAGNE BOTTLES.

\$10.00 per Case.

Apply to SANDER & CO.

Hongkong, March 30, 1882.

Intimations.

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY.

IN Accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875, the Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business, on WEDNESDAY, the 24th Instant.

For the "Oriental Bank Corporation,"

GEO. O. SCOTT, Manager.

For the "Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China,"

JOHN THURBURN, Manager.

For the "Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,"

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

For the "Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris,"

V. COCHINARD, Agent.

Hongkong, May 20, 1882.

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Second DIVIDEND for the Year 1881, being an interim Return to contributing Shareholders of TWENTY-FIVE PER CENT. (25%) on Net Premiums for that year, is now Declared, in accordance with the Resolution passed at the Ordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 14th ultimo.

Warrants will be issued in due course, on the 1st JUNE, 1882.

On the 1st JUNE, 1882, the Port of HONGKONG and SHANGHAI BANK on and after MONDAY, the 8th Inst.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

HERBERT S. MORRIS,

Secretary.

Shanghai, 2nd May, 1882.

NOTICE TO FREIGHT OR PASSENGER.

REMEDIOS & CO.

Hongkong, May 20, 1882.

FOR HOIHOW AND PAKHOI.

The Steamship "Pine-tree,"

Capt. McCAFFRAY, will be despatched for the above

Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 24th Inst., at Daylight, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & CO.

Hongkong, May 20, 1882.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The British Steamer "Caravane,"

Captain G. L. CASTLE, will load here for the above Port, and will leave this on MONDAY, the 29th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

TAK HING LOONG,

Charterer.

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For Sale.
MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.
HAVE REMOVED
to their
NEW AND EXTENSIVE
PREMISES,
No. 53, Queen's Road East
(OPPOSITE THE COMMUNIQUÉ),
WHERE they have special facilities for
conducting their Town and Harbour
Business, and trust to merit a continuance
of Public Confidence and Support.

A FULL STOCK OF STORES
WINES, &c.,
ALWAYS ON HAND, INCLUDING:

FRESH YORK HAMS.
CHRISTMAS CAKES.
TEYSONNEAU'S DESSERT FRUITS.
ALMONDS AND RAISINS.
PICNIC TONGUES.
COCONUTS.
VAN HOUTEN'S COCOA.
LICHT & EPP'S COCOA.
FRENCH PLUMS.

PATE DE FOIE GRAS.

MINCEMEAT.

CHOCOLATE—MENIER.

SAUSAGES.

BROWN.

ISIGNY BUTTER.

DANISH BUTTER.

BREAKFAST TONGUES.

ANCHOVIES.

ASPARAGUS.

SOUPS, &c.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

CHAMPAGNES.

HEDDECK'S MONOPOLE & WHITE

SEAL.

VEUVE CLICQUOT PONSARDIN.

JULES MUMM & Co., pints & quarts.

CLARETS.

CHATEAU MARGAUX.

CHATEAU LA ROSE, pints & quarts.

CHATEAU LAFITE.

LAES GRAVES.

BREAKFAST CLARET, &c.

SHERRIES & PORT.

SACCOMAN'S MANZANILLA & AMON-

TILLADO.

SACCOMAN'S OLD INVALID PORT

(1849).

HUNT'S PORT.

BRANDY, WHISKY, LIQUEURS, &c.

1, 2 & 3-star HENNESSY'S BRANDY.

BISQUIT DUCHESS & Co.'s BRANDY.

FINEST OLD BOURBON WHISKY.

KINAHAN'S LL WHISKY.

ROYAL GLENDEFENDER WHISKY.

CHARTREUSE.

MARASCHINO.

CURACAO.

ANGOSTURA.

Borrel & ORANGE BITTERS.

&c., &c.

BASS'S ALE, bottled by CARMERSON and SCHAFFNER, pints & quarts.

GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E. J. TURNER, pints & quarts.

PILSENER BEER, pints & quarts.

DRAUGHT ALE and PORTER, by the Gallon.

ALE and PORTER, in hogsheads.

TCPOCAN BUTTER.

Eastern and California CHEESE.

Boneless CODFISH.

Prime HAMS and BACON.

Eagle Brand Condensed MILK.

PEACH and APPLE BUTTER.

Pickled OX-TONGUES.

Family PIG-INN in kegs and pieces.

Paragon MACKEREL in 5 lb cans.

Beau Ideal SALMON in 5 lb cans.

Cutting Dessert FRUITS in 2 lb cans.

Assorted Canned VEGETABLES.

Potted SAUSAGE and Sausage MEAT.

Stuffed PEPPERS.

Assorted PICKLES.

MINCEMEAT.

COMB HONEY in Original Frames.

RICHARDSON & ROBBIN'S Celebrated Potted MEATS.

Lunch TONGUE.

McCarty's Sugar LEMONADE.

Cream CHOWDER.

Shocked SALMON.

Green TURTLE in 2 lb cans.

&c., &c., &c.

VACET & PICNIC SUPPLIES.

CALIFORNIA

RAKKE COMPANY'S BISCUITS in 5 lb

tins, and loose.

Alphabetical BISCUITS.

Fancy Sweet Mixed BISCUITS.

Ginger CAKES.

Soda BISCUITS.

Oyster BISCUITS.

Cracked WHEAT.

OATMEAL.

HOMINY.

CORNMEAL.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR.

RYE MEAL.

SPECIALLY SELVEDGE

CIGARS.

TURPENTINE.

PAINTS and OILS.

Hongkong, May 15, 1882.

Entertainment.



To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW.

The Steamship "Thalia."

Captain Pocock, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 24th Inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, May 22, 1882 my24

FOR AMOY, TAIWANFOO & TAMSIU.

The Steamship "Abby."

Captain Conant, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 24th Inst., at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, May 22, 1882 my24

NOW OPEN EVERY EVENING
AT 8 O'CLOCK.

PERFORMANCE COMMENCING AT 9,
AT EAST POINT, BOWRINGTON,
HONGKONG.

TO-NIGHT, May 22nd.

CHIARINI'S ROYAL ITALIAN
CIRCUS

PERFORMING ANIMALS!

WILL EXHIBIT UNDER MAMMOTH TENTS,
FOR A SHORT SEASON ONLY.

The Largest Spread of *Circus* ever seen
in this Hemisphere! *Scaling Acrobatics*,
moderation for 5,000 people.

THE GRANDEST RING PAGEANT
ON EARTH!

PANORAMIC ARTISTS.

Fresh from the leading Circuses
and Hippodromes of Europe and America,

who will introduce all the Latest and Most Striking Marvels of the EQUESTRIAN, ACROBATIC and GYMNASTIC ARTS.

MISS NELLIE REID,
England's Side-Saddle Queen, from
Hengler's Grand Circus, London,
England.

MISS EMILY ROLANDE,
The Fearless Rider and Graceful
Pantomist, in her Charming Principal Act and Specialties.

MISS ADA STOODLY,
The charming Little Fairy Equestrienne.

MISS LOTTA,

The Lady with the Iron Jaw, will perform
Prodigious Feats of Mandibular Strength.

Firing off, with her Teeth, a Brass
Canon weighing 175 lbs, and con-
cluding with her Vampire Flight
across the Immense Circus Pavilion,
suspended only by her Teeth.

MISS ZAZO,

The Beautiful and Superb Young Lady
Gymnast and Acrobat.

LA VATER LEE,

The Darling of the Millions—The
Divine Somersault Equestrian, in his unrivaled performance on a Bare-backed Horse, introducing Pirotettes, Backward and Forward Somersaults.

Mrs. FRED. WATSON,

Principal Jester and Comic Change Artist.

MASTER CHARLIE WATSON,

In his Champion Hurdle Act, also Tumb-
ling and Contortion Acts.

MR. CHARLES STOODLY,

The Famous Bare-back Rider & Voltigeur.

THE FAUST FAMILY,
(5 in number),

First Class Artists—from the Paris Hippo-
podrome, and Parts on the YANGTSE.

Also Musical Clowns in Fantastic Varieties,
introducing the Smallest Violinist in the
World.—MASTER EUGENE.

FRENCH and ANGLO.

Leading Horizontal Bar and Trapeze Per-
formers, Hat Throwers and Knock-out
Clowns from the Folies Bergères, Paris.

MISS JEANNE (ONLY 5 YEARS OF AGE),
on the "Flying Rings."

ROSA THU-ZET & PROF. THU-ZET,

The Celebrated French Gymnasts and
Equilibristas, Winners of Prizes in all
the Principal Theatres and Circuses in
Europe, in their Sensational Eerial Per-
formances.

THE MOTLEY MERRY MAKER,
HELMUTH LICHMAN,

Recently of Van-Amburgh American
Show, in his Comic and Extravagant Vagi-
ries.

SIGNORE GIUSEPPE CHIARINI,

The King of Horse-TRAINERS, will in-
troduce his FEARLESS STUD of TRAINED
Horses, whose UNPARALLELED PERFORMANCES
have been the Wonder and Admiration of
the WHOLE WORLD, and have won for their
Owner and Educator, SIGNORE CHIARINI,

numerous Medals and Costly Gifts from
RULERS and MEMBERS of the NOBILITY of
every country in Europe, in token of their
appreciation of his wondrous SKILL, and
the intelligence and docility of his super-
IOR HORSES.

PROF. LORENZ JOHNSON,

The fearless Tiger-Tamer, will enter the
Den of

Performing Royal Bengal Tigers!

In the Menagerie Department will
be found

An Educated Zebra from Africa, A South
American Gazzelle, A Black Bear from the
Himalaya Mountains, A Black Tiger from the
Jungles of Central India, Two Ele-
phants from Ceylon, Royal Baby Tigers only
a few weeks old, A Kangaroo, The Won-
derful Animal of Australia, Various spe-
cies of Monkeys, Apes and Baboons, that
are Educated to Ride the Beautiful Lilliputian
Shetland Ponies in a Steeple Chase.

CRACKED WHEAT.

OATMEAL.

HOMINY.

CORNMEAL.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR.

RYE MEAL.

SPECIALLY SELVEDGE

CIGARS.

Fine New Season's CUMSHAW TEA, in
5 and 10 catty Boxes.

BREAKFAST CONGO @ 25 cents p. lb.

SEASIDE LIBRARY, 15 to 25 cents.

FRANKLIN SQUARE LIBRARY, 15 to
25 cents.

of that institution, "A 'Passenger' by the M. M. homeward steamer *Djenahad*, writes to the *Singapore Times* on the 11th inst., protesting against the incivility of some of the officials there, in the following terms:—

"Sir.—I am a passenger on the homeward-bound French mail steamer *Djenahad*, and had occasion to visit your Post-Office this afternoon, and upon entering it I inadvertently omitted to remove my cigar. Coming as I did from a fierce light and wearing sun-eye-glasses at the time you will no doubt naturally understand how it was I failed for the moment to set that familiar phrase depicted on the walls 'no smoking allowed.' I had scarcely time to ask for my stamp when our rushed a gentleman, tall with black whiskers, who yelled out at the top of his voice 'No smoking allowed! Can't you see the notice?' Tat once removed my cigar and also my glasses, and mildly replied that the notice to which he alluded had quite escaped me, but that he need not shout quite so loud as I was not deaf. He replied 'Since you were blind I thought you might be deaf also.' This insolent kind of conduct, Sir, is treacherous to be deplored, and I think severely befits the dignity of the service to which he has the honor to belong.

Fancy Mr. Lister or any one under him indulging in a scene like this!

The *Singapore Times* of the 12th and 13th inst. gives the following items:—

The Government, we learn, have declined to pay the passage-home of Mr. Whitehead and Mr. Cameron, the engineers who were left behind by the Spanish steamer *Loot XIII*, and both have now accepted local employment. Mr. Whitehead, as Chief Engineer of the steamer *Petrel*, and Mr. Cameron, in the steamer *Caribbeo*. The two boiler-makers, who were also left behind, have found employment at the Tantong Pagan Dock.

We are informed that the Marquis de Lopez intends establishing a line of Spanish steamers between Barcelona and Manila, calling Singapore on their outward and homeward voyages, and that a staff of Spanish gentlemen are on their way out to Singapore to establish the Agency here.

The Secretary of State for the Colonies, it appears, has approved of a Bonus of £500 being granted to any Officer who attains a certain standard of proficiency in some other language than the one he has been called upon to study if it is called; and yesterday's *Guardian* contains the regulations made by H. E. the Governor under which such Bonus will be paid for Malay, Tamil, and Chinese.

The Shanghai *Daily News* seems to take precisely the same view of the Korean business as we expressed the other day, as will be seen by the following note:—

According to what we learn from well-informed sources the terms of the treaty of unity and commerce between the United States and Korea have been thoroughly arranged between Commodore Shufeldt, Li Hung-chung, and the Korean Envoy, Commodore Shufeldt goes, in fact, with a treaty cut and dry in his possession, and it is improbable that anything will interfere with its execution. We are rather inclined to think that the Chinese look on Li Hung-chung's management of this affair very astute, and as baffling the designs both of Russia and Japan. Arrangements for the establishment of a Customs service at the Korean ports are pending the formal opening of the country by the treaties. Many interests are to be represented among the members of what may now be called the Korean Mission. One prominent house has two delegates, who went north by a recent steamer, and the same step is said to have been taken by the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company.

CONCERNING SOME SPURIOUS TEA RECENTLY IMPORTED INTO LONDON.—Messrs. J. G. Sillar & Co.'s Tea Circular for March says:—

"Attention has lately been directed to the sale by public auction of a crop of spurious tea consisting of 112 half-chests.

They were imported from Hongkong in February last, and marked 'Extra choicest Ningchow Congou,' they were purchased by the dealers at about 4d. per lb., and have been distributed throughout the country. They consist almost entirely of Willow or other leaves, mixed with some matter which has become putrid, and have a most offensive smell and taste; a few inches of sound 'New Make' common Congou are packed in the top of each half-chest, and by this means they have eluded the vigilance of the Custom-house officials."

We understand that the *Hector*, which brought the spurious tea alluded to above, sailed originally from Japan, and we would not be surprised if the fraud was committed in that country. Two years ago there were large imports from China of 'Japan leaf, stained by log wood and other dyes.'

SEEING THAT HONGKONG RESIDENTS WIELD NO MUNICIPAL FUNCTIONS OR ENJOY EVEN THE SMALLEST AMOUNT OF MUNICIPAL CONTROL, the following reference to a discussion which took place at the last meeting of the Singapore Debating Society (on 11th inst.) will be both interesting and amusing. The *Singapore Times* gives the appended sketch:—

The Debating Society last night decided by 8 votes to 1 that the Municipality should be extended and the institution made more representative. The attendance was but a small one, there being present only about a dozen members. Mr. Vaughan, President of the Society, opened the discussion, and in the course of his speech pointed out the many objections to the Colonial Engineers and the Inspector General of Police being members of the Municipal Board. The Board should be entirely elective and practically independent of Government. Mr. Wilkinson opposed the proposition, and argued with some force that the present constitution of the Municipality was fairly well suited to the circumstances of the Colony. Mr. E. W. Birch, also opposed the motion, contending that the extension of the franchise would lead to the election of persons unacquainted with the English language or the principles of representative Government, which might lead to confusion and obstruction.

Li Apun, accountant in the small store attached to the Macgregor Barracks, said the deceased purchased some articles from him about half past twelve on Saturday afternoon. Immediately after leaving his shop, he heard her cry "ayah," and on his looking outside he saw Tig Aran, the prisoner, holding the deceased by the hair of the head, and in one of his hands a wooden chopper, with which he struck her three blows rapidly and with terrific force. Witness raised a cry for the man to be stopped, others doing the same, whereupon the prisoner released his hold, and the girl fell to the ground. The prisoner then ran into the barracks, and at the same time ran into the barracks, with the glassicas pursued.

Lei Kahn said he was in the cook house at the barracks shortly after twelve on Saturday afternoon, when he saw the prisoner, who after standing some time suddenly seized hold of the chopper, put it behind his back, and ran off. Almost instantly thereafter he heard a cry, and going out he saw the prisoner, while holding the girl by the hair of the head, strike her three blows with a chopper. He raised a cry, and the prisoner let go his hold of the deceased, who fell to the ground, dropped the chopper and ran to the Guard Room where he was arrested, and handed over to the Police.

P. C. Hassan Bur said the deceased's sister made a report to No. 2, Police Station, in consequence of which he accompanied the woman to the Macgregor

Barracks, where the prisoner was handed over to him.

Tengyau, gun Inscar, said, hearing a disturbance in the road, he rushed out and saw the deceased lying on the road, with the chopper beside her, covered with blood. He carried the girl to No. 2 Police Station.

Tig Aran, senior sergeant of the gun-lancers, said he was married to the elder sister of the deceased. He knew the prisoner, who about four months ago got into the habit of going to the house of the girl's mother at Wanchai, where witness frequently went himself. On one occasion, the man came to him and expressed himself anxious to marry the deceased. The prisoner was told that she was too young, and to wait until the girl was sixteen or seventeen years old. The prisoner was not satisfied with the girl, and said he wanted to marry the girl at once, and left the house. He frequently visited the house after that, but witness told his mother-in-law not to allow the prisoner to come to the house, and the visits were discontinued.

The man continued to follow the girl, and it was in consequence of that that the murder was committed. In answer to the question as to whether the prisoner had been married, the witness denied having agreed to the prisoner's marrying the girl, and the next morning and went on board the steamer, where she met her adopted sister, who took charge of her and brought her back to Hongkong. She did not know what had become of the prisoner and did not see him on the way back.

In answer to Dr. Ho Kai, the girl said the cook did not speak to her often while he was engaged in the employment of her guardian; she did not say anything to him when the prisoner asked her to go to Canton but pleased over the master. He did not say that he would bring her back after she had seen the processions. She knew that he was to come back after seeing the processions. She did not want to leave her mother, and would never have gone away with him unless she had thought that she would be brought back. She was fully in the belief that she would be protected by the prisoner's sister while in Canton.

Tig Aran said that while on board the Canton steamer on the 29th April she saw Salaha, her adopted sister. She saw her sister and the prisoner walking together. The prisoner only spoke to her at Canton, where he said he wanted to take Salaha with him, but Salaha was alone she would not allow her to go with him, and brought the girl back to her guardian.

In reply to Dr. Ho Kai, the witness said that the prisoner did not say he would bring Salaha back after she had seen the processions.

Inspector Baker gave evidence as to the body being brought to the Station, and then being sent to Hospital. He also informed the Coroner that the prisoner's name was Tie Aran.

The jury returned a verdict of wilful murder against the prisoner.

A second inquest was held at the same place, with the same jury, on the body of Ng Achan. The deceased was an apprentice to the Hung Hom Dock. On Saturday, he, along with two friends, went to the theatre at Yau Mah Ti, and while returning home in a sampan, about nine o'clock, the boat was suddenly struck by a gust of wind and capsized, throwing the whole of the occupants, who numbered six, into the water. They were all picked up, with the exception of the deceased, by a fishing junk. The body of the deceased was dragged from the water by a fisherman this morning. A verdict of accidental death by drowning was returned.

timesince he left the service at the door of the house. He had asked witness to go with him to Canton, saying that his sister would teach her embroidery, and on the night previous to leaving he told her that she would see a grand procession at Canton which she would never see here again.

Sooth Aran, senior sergeant of the gun-lancers, said he was married to the elder sister of the deceased. He knew the prisoner, who about four months ago got into the habit of going to the house of the girl's mother at Wanchai, where witness frequently went himself. On one occasion, the man came to him and expressed himself anxious to marry the deceased. The prisoner was told that she was too young, and to wait until the girl was sixteen or seventeen years old. The prisoner was not satisfied with the girl, and said he wanted to marry the girl at once, and left the house. He frequently visited the house after that, but witness told his mother-in-law not to allow the prisoner to come to the house, and the visits were discontinued.

The man continued to follow the girl, and it was in consequence of that that the murder was committed. In answer to the question as to whether the prisoner had been married, the witness denied having agreed to the prisoner's marrying the girl, and the next morning and went on board the steamer, where she met her adopted sister, who took charge of her and brought her back to Hongkong. She did not know what had become of the prisoner and did not see him on the way back.

In answer to Dr. Ho Kai, the girl said the cook did not speak to her often while he was engaged in the employment of her guardian; she did not say anything to him when the prisoner asked her to go to Canton but pleased over the master. He did not say that he would bring her back after she had seen the processions. She knew that he was to come back after seeing the processions. She did not want to leave her mother, and would never have gone away with him unless she had thought that she would be brought back. She was fully in the belief that she would be protected by the prisoner's sister while in Canton.

Tig Aran said that while on board the Canton steamer on the 29th April she saw Salaha, her adopted sister. She saw her sister and the prisoner walking together. The prisoner only spoke to her at Canton, where he said he wanted to take Salaha with him, but Salaha was alone she would not allow her to go with him, and brought the girl back to her guardian.

In reply to Dr. Ho Kai, the witness said that the prisoner did not say he would bring Salaha back after she had seen the processions.

Inspector Staunton said the prisoner, on the 1st May, came to the Central Station, bringing a box with him, saying that the clothes in the box belonged to a girl named Salaha who went with him to Canton to be married to him. The prisoner said that Salaha gave him the clothes, and lie and his parents belonged to the Indian religion, and that he intended to take her to his parents' house in Canton, and that Salaha's adopted sister met her on the steamer, and on arriving at Canton, took her away in a chair. The prisoner also stated that the adopted sister told him that she intended to bring Salaha back after she had seen the processions.

The following gentlemen were examined before a jury:—Messrs. D. W. Schwanen, H. J. McIntosh, J. H. Gatrell, H. F. Wilkes, C. C. Corlette, and J. E. da Costa.

The Attorney General, (the Hon. E. O'Malley) instructed by Mr. Sharp, Crown Solicitor, prosecuted.

WONG YU INQUISITION.

Wong Lai Shing was charged with embezzling various sums of money during the month of January. He pleaded not guilty. Pung Lum, manager of the Kwoong Fuk Cleaning shop, was called for the prosecution, and stated that the defendant was employed by him as a bill collector, and during the month of January collected sums amounting to over \$900 without having authority from the firm to do so, and which sums he appropriated to his own use.

In answer to his Lordship the prosecutor said the prisoner had a share in the business, which was half of a share that formerly belonged to his grandfather.

The Attorney General asked the witness if he had told the magistrate at the Police Court that the defendant had a share in the business, and he answered in the negative.

The Attorney General then said that the case could not be proceeded with further, as the man was wrongly indicted.

His Lordship informed the jury that owing to a technicality of law they would have to bring in a verdict of not guilty. Unfortunately recent legislation in England which enabled persons to be indicted under these circumstances did not apply to this Colony.

The accused was then discharged.

THE ASSAULT ON SERGEANT HANSON.

Wong Akwai, carpenter, was charged on two counts, first with assaulting Sergeant Hanson with intent to commit a theft, and second with making assault on the said person, thereby occasioning actual bodily harm on the 12th March.

The circumstances of the case, which have been already fully reported in our Police columns, are as follows:—On the afternoon of the 12th March an officer from the German gunboat *Hannibal*, which was in harbour at that time, was walking in the neighbourhood of the Peak, when he met the prisoner and asked him to point out the right path. The prisoner misdirected the officer, and dogged the latter for some time. As the officer became suspicious of the man and wished to get rid of him, he allowed him to pass. The prisoner disappeared for some little time, but the officer again met him at a sharp bend of the road with his hands behind his back. Not liking his looks, the officer made the prisoner show his hands, which he did one at a time, and very reluctantly, and in one of which he had a large sharp stone. As the officer became suspicious of the man, and wished to get rid of him, he allowed him to pass. The prisoner disappeared for some little time, but the officer again met him at a sharp bend of the road with his hands behind his back. Not liking his looks, the officer made the prisoner show his hands, which he did one at a time, and very reluctantly, and in one of which he had a large sharp stone.

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